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ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

CALL FOR PROPOSALS EACEA/10/2018

under the Erasmus+ programme

Key action 3: Support for policy reform

Social inclusion and common values: the contribution in the field of education, training and youth

(2018/C 106/08)

1. Objectives

This call for proposals will support transnational cooperation projects in the fields of education, training and youth.

The call comprises two lots, one for education and training (Lot 1) and one for youth (Lot 2).

Each application must address one general objective and one of the specific objectives, which are listed separately for Lot 1 and for Lot 2. Both the general and specific objectives of the call are exhaustive: proposals that do not address them will not be considered.

General objectives

Projects submitted under this call under both lots should aim at:

1. Disseminating and/or scaling up good practices on inclusive education/youth environments and/or on promoting common values, initiated in particular at local level. In the context of the present call, scaling up means replicating good practice on a wider scale/transferring it to a different context or implementing it at a higher/systemic level;

or

2. Developing and implementing innovative methods and practices to foster inclusive education/youth environments and promote common values in specific contexts.

Projects under both Lots are encouraged to actively involve role models as well as activities related to the European Year of Cultural Heritage 2018, where appropriate.

LOT 1 — EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Specific objectives:

- enhancing the acquisition of social and civic competences, fostering knowledge, understanding and ownership of common values and fundamental rights,
- promoting inclusive education and training and fostering the education of disadvantaged learners, including through supporting teachers, educators and leaders of educational institutions in dealing with diversity and reinforcing socioeconomic diversity in the learning environment,
- enhancing critical thinking and media literacy among learners, parents and educational staff,
- supporting the inclusion of newly arrived migrants in good quality education, including by assessing knowledge and validating prior learning,

- fostering digital skills and competences of digitally excluded groups (including older people, migrants and young people from disadvantaged backgrounds) through partnerships between schools, business and the non-formal sector, including public libraries,
- promoting European values, cultural heritage and heritage-related skills, common history, intercultural dialogue and social inclusion through education, non-formal and lifelong learning, in line with the objectives of the 2018 European Year of Cultural Heritage.

LOT 2 — YOUTH

Specific objectives:

- promoting civic participation of young people by developing the role of volunteering for social inclusion,
- preventing marginalisation and radicalisation leading to violent extremism of young people.

2. Eligibility

2.1. Eligible applicants

Eligible applicants are public and private organisations active in the field of education, training and youth or other socioeconomic sectors or organisations carrying out cross-sector activities (e.g. cultural organisations, civil society, sport organisations, recognition centres, chambers of commerce, trade organisations, etc.).

Only legal entities established in the following programme countries are eligible:

- the 28 Member States of the European Union,
- the EFTA/EEA countries: Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway,
- EU candidate countries: the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey.

The minimum partnership composition requirement for this call is four eligible organisations from four different programme countries.

If networks are involved in the project, the consortium must include at least two organisations which are not members of the network(s) and the consortium has to represent at least four eligible countries.

2.2. Eligible activities and project duration

Only activities taking place in programme countries (see Section 2.1) will be considered eligible for funding. Any costs relating to activities undertaken outside these countries or by organisations that are not registered in the programme countries are not eligible. Exceptionally and on a case-by-case basis, activities that involve other countries than the programme countries can be granted but must have the prior and specific authorisation from the Executive Agency.

Activities must start either on 31 December 2018; 15 or 31 January 2019.

The project duration must be 24 or 36 months.

3. Expected results and examples of activities

Projects under **Lot 1 — Education and training** should lead to results such as:

- increased awareness, knowledge and understanding of good practices in the relevant educational institutions and communities,
- increased use of state-of-the-art innovative approaches in policy or practice,
- increased awareness, motivation and competence of educational leaders and educators with regard to inclusive educational approaches and the promotion of common values,
- active engagement of families and local communities in supporting inclusive educational approaches and the promotion of common values,
- more widespread and effective tools to support education and training institutions and learning providers in implementing inclusive education approaches and in promoting common values.

Projects under **Lot 2 — Youth** should lead to results such as:

- improved social, civic and inter-cultural competences and skills of young people, including active citizenship, media and digital literacy, critical judgement and intercultural understanding; greater youth participation in social and civic life,
- improved and innovative ways of cooperation or partnerships between non-formal education sector and schools (e.g. use of non-formal methodologies and informal learning within formal education settings for civic education),
- enhanced awareness among young people of their fundamental rights and sense of belonging to society, stronger endorsement of democratic values and engagement in practices of anti-racism, intercultural and inter-faith dialogue and mutual understanding,
- improved outreach to young people from disadvantaged groups (e.g. young people in a 'NEET' ⁽¹⁾ situation or young people with a migrant background) by building synergies with the local community and making best use of existing networks at local level,
- enhanced capacity of youth work, youth organisations and/or youth networks to act as forces of inclusion by empowering young people to engage, volunteer and drive positive change in communities,
- improved expertise in providing basic assistance or equipping of newly arrived migrants and refugees with the skills they need to integrate in a different society or which could be useful for reintegration in the country of origin when the conflict is over, as well as the appreciation of cultural diversity in the community,
- better integration of newly arrived migrants and refugees and enhanced inclusive climate in the hosting societies, in particular through the planning and organisation of cultural or social activities at local level involving locals and volunteers where appropriate,
- better information on social media, websites, public meetings, to support the volunteering efforts of the organisation.

4. **Budget available:**

The total budget available for the co-financing of projects under the present call is EUR 14 000 000 allocated as follows:

- Lot 1 — Education and training EUR 12 000 000,
- Lot 2 — Youth EUR 2 000 000.

The financial contribution from the EU cannot exceed 80 % of the total eligible project costs.

The maximum grant per project will be EUR 500 000.

The Agency reserves the right not to distribute all the funds available.

5. **Award criteria**

Eligible proposals will be assessed on the basis of the following criteria:

- (1) Relevance of the project (30 %);
- (2) Quality of the project design and implementation (20 %);
- (3) Quality of the partnership and the cooperation arrangements (20 %);
- (4) Impact, dissemination and sustainability (30 %).

6. **Submission procedure and deadline**

The submission deadline is: **22 May 2018 — 13.00** (Brussels time).

⁽¹⁾ Not in employment, education or training.

Applicants are requested to read carefully all information about the call for proposals EACEA/10/2018 and the submission procedure and to use the obligatory documents, which can be found under:

https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/funding_en (Call reference EACEA/10/2018)

The application and its annexes must be submitted online using the designated e-form.

7. **Call information**

All information on the Call **EACEA/10/2018** is available from the following website:

https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/funding_en (Call reference EACEA/10/2018)

Email contact: EACEA-Policy-Support@ec.europa.eu
